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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Atsushi YAMAGUCHI et al.

Group Art Unit: 2652

Application No.: 09/853,158

Examiner: C. Renner

Filed: May 10, 2001

Docket No.: 109500

For: THIN-FILM MAGNETIC HEAD HAVING A MAGNETISM INTERCEPTING
LAYER PROVIDED BETWEEN READ HEAD AND WRITE HEAD (AS AMENDED)AMENDMENT**RECEIVED**

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Technology Center 2600

Sir:

In reply to the May 20, 2003 Office Action, the period for response being extended by the attached Petition for Extension of Time, please consider the following:

Amendments to the Specification;**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims; and**Remarks.**